

BOOSTERS



MIRA COSTA HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA
BOOSTER CLUB

Costa en España

The Send Off Concert

PRESENTED BY
The Grammy Award Winning
MIRA COSTA ORCHESTRAS
PETER PARK, DIRECTOR

Upcoming Events

THURSDAY, JUNE 6TH
2019 | 7PM

MIRA COSTA AUDITORIUM
1401 Artesia Blvd., Manhattan Beach
TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR
Adults-\$10 Students/Seniors 65+ Free

MIRA COSTA ORCHESTRA BANQUET & AFTER PARTY

Friday, June 7, 2019
6:30-10:00pm

The Portofino Hotel
Redondo Beach
\$45 per person

Senior Orchestra String/Wind Symphony Students Free

Join us for an evening to celebrate a very successful year for MCHS Orchestra.
All Orchestra families are welcome to enjoy dinner, GAG Awards and senior recognition.

Dinner and recognition 6:30-8:00pm (cash bar for parents)
At 8:00pm Students Only (parents are kindly asked to leave) Dance Party with DJ

Please RSVP no later than Wednesday, 5/29/19. Ticket price is \$45.
Make checks payable to MBX Foundation (write "Orchestra Banquet" on memo line).
Attach check to this form and have your student place in the Orchestra Room Basket,
or you can mail a check to Janet Anderson, VP Finance,
2707 Pine Ave., Manhattan Beach, CA 90266. Or pay online at <http://www.MCHSOrchestra.com>

Student Name _____ Grade _____

Parents email _____ Phone _____

Attendees @ \$45/PP _____ # Senior Students (FREE) _____

Total Amount \$ _____

Spain Trip

June 23rd - July 4th



Note: Pictures are *representative* of trip experience

Itinerary

Day 1: Sunday, June 23, 2019 – Los Angeles to Madrid

Today we travel to Spain! We will start our journey by arriving at the LAX Airport 3 hours before our flight. After crossing the Atlantic, via Newark Airport we will arrive at Europe's third largest city – Madrid. Meals and snacks will be served on our flight.

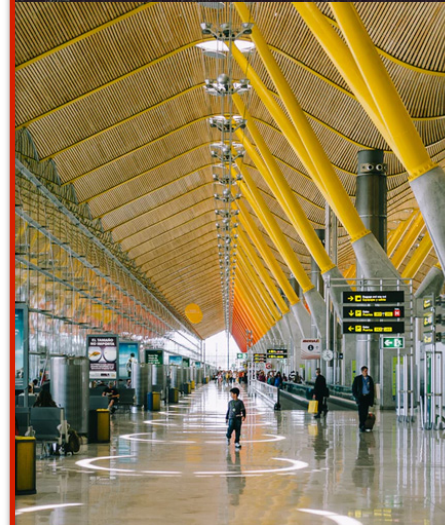
Day 2: Monday, June 24, 2019 – Madrid

We arrive in Madrid. Clear customs. Met by Culture Path staff. Board busses for hotel. Check-in. Walking tour. Instrument check for cellos & basses. Dinner. Sleep!

Day 3: Tuesday, June 25, 2019 – Madrid

This morning we will visit the Prado museum which is internationally famous, mainly on the account of its enviable collection of paintings. We will continue our sightseeing with a visit to Madrid's Royal Palace (also known as the Palacio Real). It is a beautiful baroque structure with approximately 3,000 rooms, making it one of Europe's largest castles. Lunch.

In the afternoon we will be having full rehearsal. In the evening we will be going to a special dinner and Flamenco show!



Itinerary

Day 4: Wednesday, June 26, 2019 – Segovia Performance Day

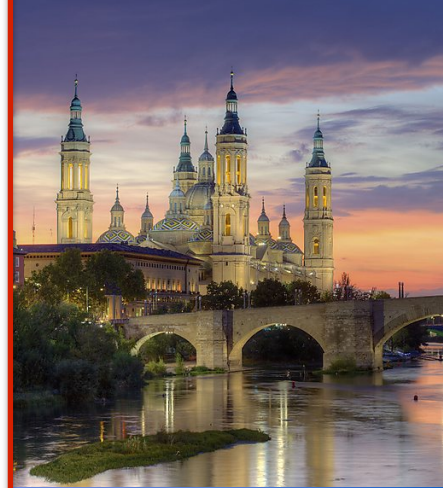
Today we experience a trip to and performance in Segovia. We will perform in the Palace of Segovia.

Day 5: Thursday, June 27, 2019 – Zaragoza Performance Day

After breakfast we will leave Madrid and journey 3 hrs. to Zaragoza. We will have a chance to have lunch and explore the old town of Zaragoza including a visit to the famous Basilica of our Lady of the Pillar. We will have dinner in the town and then go to our evening performance, at the Iglesia Del Real Seminario de San Carlos de Zaragoza. We will stay in Zaragoza for the night.

Day 6: Friday, June 28, 2019 – Zaragoza to Valencia

After breakfast in Zaragoza we will depart for Valencia. As part of our tour we will have the chance to stop and take some photos of Ciudad de las Artes y las Ciencias, the "City of Arts and Sciences," a newly constructed area of Valencia boasting spectacular architecture. Following our city tour will proceed to our accommodation and check-in. Dinner. Sleep



Itinerary

Day 7: Saturday, June 29, 2019 – Valencia

After breakfast, we will start the day with a city tour in downtown Valencia. We will end in the center of the old town with free time to explore. We will gather at a central meeting point and return to our accommodations for lunch. After lunch we will have a rehearsal/workshop in the nearby town of Liria with Kai Gleusteen (Concert master of the Orchestra ‘del Gran Teatre del Liceu’ in Barcelona) at the Teatro Liria.

After the rehearsal we will go to one of Valencia’s popular beaches for a late afternoon dip in the Mediterranean Sea.

Day 8: Sunday, June 30, 2019 – Valencia Performance Day

This day will be a full day of music with rehearsal and a performance. Our performance, with special guest artist Kai Gleusteen, will be at Palau de las Musica de Valencia.



Itinerary

Day 9: Monday, July 1, 2019 – Valencia to Barcelona

After breakfast in Valencia we will begin our journey up the coast to the capital city of the Catalonia region – Barcelona. Our journey up the coast will include a stop in the UNESCO heritage city of Peñíscola where we will have a chance to explore the old city and castle.

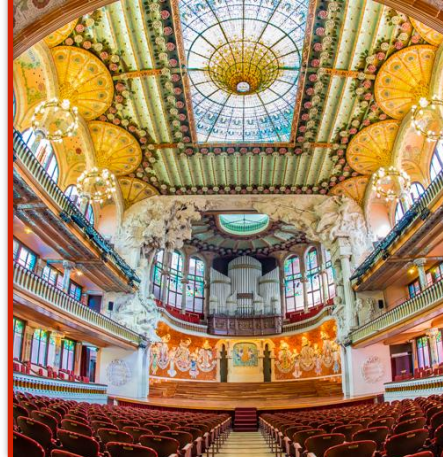
Upon arrival in Barcelona we will visit Park Güell and then take a Panoramic tour of the city ending at the Sagrada Familia.

If time allows we will continue our exploration of all things Gaudi with visits to other architecture marvels in the city. After our day of tours, we will check into our hotel, have dinner and take a rest!

Day 10: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 – Barcelona Performance Day

Music Day in Barcelona with rehearsals and a performance, with special guest artist Kai Gleusteen, at Palau de la Música Catalana.

After the concert we will return to the hotel for a celebration of the completion of an amazing Spanish musical experience!



Itinerary

Day 11 – Wednesday, July 3, 2019 – Barcelona

In the morning we depart for Montserrat.

Following our visit to Montserrat we will be bussed back to Barcelona and dropped at Plaza Catalunya. From there we will be taking a walking tour. We will visit the active and popular Ramblas, a wide pedestrian boulevard in the city's heart. Finally, a walk through the Gothic Quarter will take you back centuries. We will have a late dinner in the Gothic Quarter.

Day 12: Thursday, July 4, 2019 – Depart for home

Depart for Barcelona International Airport and our return flight to LA.



Note about daily schedule and meals times

Meal times in Spain differ from those in the USA.

Lunch time is usually between 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm. Dinner time usually starts around 7:30 or 8:00 pm and for the locals often much later!

This changes how the daily schedules are organized. For example, an afternoon activity would start at 2:30 or 3:00 pm and go as late 7:00 pm.

Final Total Costs from Culture Path

- **\$4182.05 Per Person**

Costs include:

- 6 MBUSD Teacher Chaperones
- Added Musicians from Spain
- Spanish Translators
- Dedicated Tour Escorts for each group.
- Low Strings Instrument rental
- Trucks for equipment/instruments, van and 3 Buses
(Deluxe air-conditioned motor coaches)
- Round trip air fare
- Hotels - all air conditioned
- Tickets for all sightseeing entrance fees
- Performances
- All taxes and gratuities
- Baggage allowance (1 piece per person – max. weight 50lbs.)
- 3 full meals per day



Expenses paid by Boosters

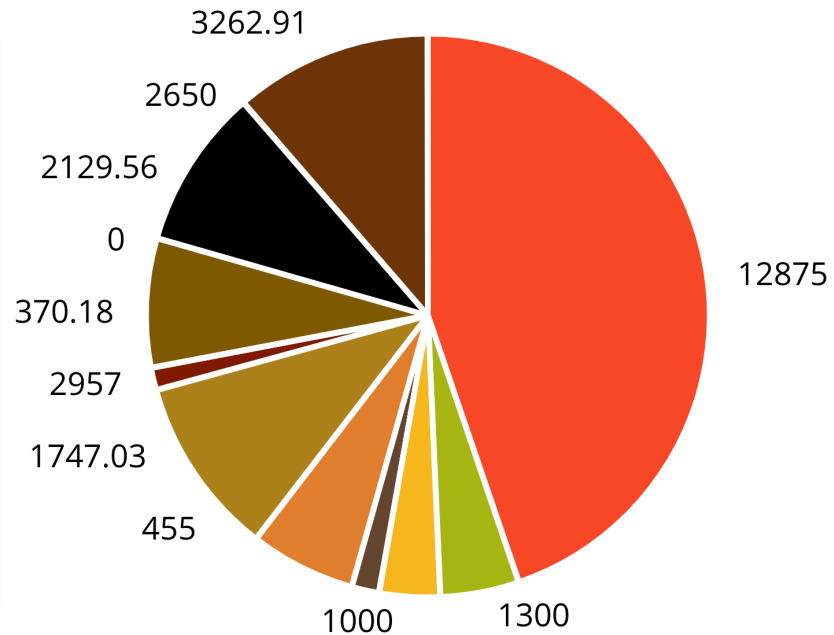
- Financial Assistance: \$20K
- Fingerprinting: \$61 per new chaperone
- Photos: \$500 plus \$100 for edits
- Lanyards, first aid kits, folders, packing supplies: \$250
- T-Shirts (approx.) \$ 2500
- Commissioned Music: TBD
- Insurance/misc. fees: TBD



Current totals for Spain Fundraising

Corporate Sponsorship (includes Broad Foundation & Corporate)	\$12,875
Personal Ad Sales	\$1,300
Family Donation	\$1,000
CD Sales	\$455
Eclectic Ensembles	\$1,747
Concerts	\$2,957
Water Bottles	\$370.18
Clothing	[-441.80]
Resturant Fundraising / AFV	\$2,129
Bake Sale, Ice Skating	\$2,650
MNO & Paint and Pour	\$3,262.91
	\$28,306

Goal = \$45,000

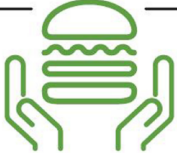


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- Resturant Fundraising / AFV ● Bake Sale, Ice Skating
- MNO & Paint and Pour

Upcoming Fundraisers

Current fundraising opportunities:


Corporate sponsors, Program Ad Sales, Final Restaurant of the year - Shake Shack, Send Off Concert, CD sales, Photo Sales, Merchandise Sales (“PJ’s for Spain Campaign”)



Donation Day

Tuesday, May 28th
11:00AM - 11:00PM

Show this flyer at the register and we'll donate
25% of your total meal purchase to
Mira Costa High School Orchestra Boosters

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General Information for Participants

Please review handout!



Insurance info

TRAVEL INSURANCE

- Out of Country Travel Medical Insurance is mandatory for all participants.
- Seven Corners can provide medical insurance to those **who do not have** international travel insurance
- The cost of Out of Country Travel Medical Insurance for people aged 1 to 69 years is \$29 USD per person. It includes:
 - Deductible: \$0
 - Medical Maximum : \$500,000
 - Start Date: June 23, 2019
 - End Date: July 4, 2019

For trip cancellation insurance which includes health insurance, you can contact Seven Corners directly and purchase on your own. This is an individual protection plan for illness and death.

✧ Sample quote for 17 year old - \$145.

Mandatory Now

- Google Doc info correct and filled out
- Passports valid for at least 3 months after tour
- International Consent forms under the age of 18 not travelling w/both parents
- All 2019 Graduates and Alumni participants **MUST** complete volunteer waivers
- District Parental Permission, Assumption of Risk & Medical Treatment Authorization
- Final payment due now



Final Payment

- Make checks payable to “MBX Foundation”
- Student Name/Final Spain on memo line
- Checks/?’s - contact Janet Anderson
- Cancellations at this point will lose half of the trip costs
- 30 days out you will lose 75% of the trip.

**FINAL PAYMENT
NOW DUE**

Trip T-Shirt

- There will be 2 T-shirts.
- 1st T-shirt: Cardinal Red w/white logo to be worn on both travel days to Spain and home from Spain.
- 2nd T-shirt: Heather Kelly Green w/gold logos to be worn on photo day.
- No changes are to be made on the shirts. - ie: no trimming or cutting etc.

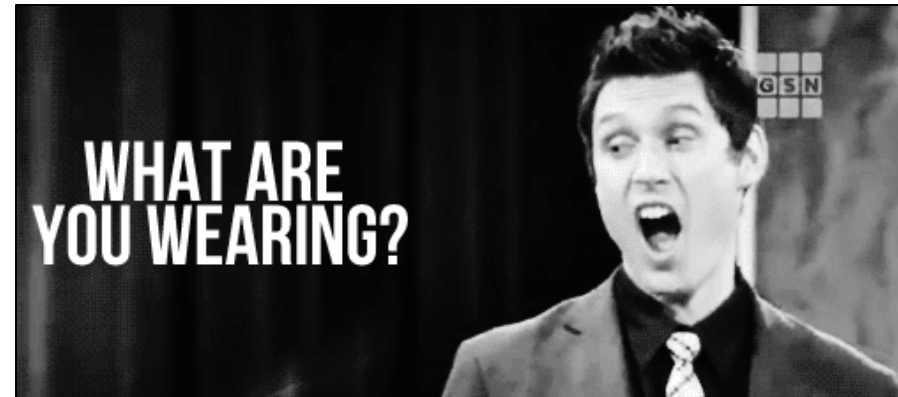
Concert attire needs

- Boys - recommended to pack your tux in a half size/Jacket size garment bag. Add your name in Sharpie on bag or on masking tape big and clear
- Make sure your name is inside your jacket and pants as well.
- Bring additional black socks
- Additional bow tie optional
- Pack an additional white tux shirt
- Optional - additional jacket
- Mandatory: hang on wire hangers to take less space



Dress Code for entering Churches in Spain

- Spain is a very conservative country and most churches and religious sites have a **STRICT** dress code. All clothing must be modest with no bare shoulders and **no “short shorts” allowed.**
- No tank tops, no short skirts, no sandals/flip flops, nothing skimpy. No tights/Yoga pants or leggings. Use good judgment – if you’d wear it to the beach – you wouldn’t wear it here! You may be denied access.
- Wear comfy shoes
- Trip T-Shirts may not be altered
 - no crop tops, or sleeveless looks



Tickets to performances

- They are not on sale as of yet
- We are awaiting a link from Culture Path for reservations for non Shadow Tour participants.
- Once we have the link we will post in Spain newsletter and on Spain page on the website.



Instruments

- Small instruments will stay in room
- Large instruments will be moved around by Culture Path in a van (not this one – but isn't it cool?)



Communication

What's App: John Randolph coordinating: johnrando@verizon.net

You **MUST** put John as a contact in your phone to get broadcast messages.
310-874-2335

It's free on all platforms - works on Wi-Fi & cell.

No smartphone? Let John know and we will make sure you have a communication buddy from a group or roommate.

Please download ASAP so we can create groups. You will be added to your chaperone group and all orchestra group.

Add Europe on your cell plan for the dates we will be in Spain if you do not already have an international calling plan.

- International plans approx. \$10 a day for many plans.

Additional Notes



Bring spending \$\$ for bathrooms. Some public toilets charge 20 or 50 cents.

If you buy something in a café/restaurant you should be able to use the facilities.

Don't keep phone/wallet/passport in back pocket.

You may find it useful to withdraw a small amount of cash at an ATM in Spain – you will pay the lowest conversion rates that way.

Make sure to contact your bank or Credit Card provider BEFORE you travel out of the country.

Additional Notes



Pack your own water bottle. Re-fill constantly

Bring travel laundry soap and wash your own items in room.

Avoid buying souvenirs from street vendors. If you do - use small bills to avoid receiving counterfeit bills as change.

Street vendors will approach you and ask you to buy their items. Say “No Thank You” and keep walking. Ignore them and keep walking if they continue to follow you.

Wear your backpacks on front and not back. Or better yet – don’t wear one.

Flight info

First 60 People are on these flights:

- UA 2418S 23 JUN SU LAX-EWR-HK20 8:15A 4:42P (LAX > Newark)
- UA 51S 23 JUN SU EWRMAD HK20 8:05P 9:20A (Newark > Madrid)
- UA 121S 04JUL TH BCNEWR HK20 11:15A 1:50P (Barcelona > Newark, NJ)
- UA 275S 04JUL TH EWRLAX HK20 6:00P 9:09P (Newark, NJ > LAX)

Remaining People are on this flight

- UA 2418S 23JUN SU LAX-EWR-HK20 8:15A 4:42P (LAX > Newark, NJ)
- UA 51S 23JUN SU EWRMAD HK20 8:05P 9:20A (Newark, NJ > Madrid)
- UA 141V 04JUL TH BCNIAD HK20 12:00P 3:05P (Barcelona > Dulles, DC)
- UA 719K 04JUL TH IADLAX HK20 5:50P 8:14P (Dulles, DC > LAX)

Note: Everyone is on the same flight going to Madrid. Returning from Spain we will be on two separate flights.

We do not have the list as to who is on what flight currently. Please do not contact Culture Path asking for them, or specific seating arrangements.

We will get you final information as we get closer to the trip.

Additional rehearsal dates

- Week of June 17-21 TBD
- Will hand out T-shirts, lanyards, luggage tags, chaperone groups, wrap instruments, etc.

mark  your Calendar

PJ Photo Opp.

- We thought it might be fun to take a photo at the hotel one night w/those in their MCHS PJs.
- If you do not have any please consider showing your spirit and purchasing a pair for the photo, or even for travelling as they are super comfy.
- Chaperones - we are encouraging you as well!



Shadow Tour now closed

- For any ?'s regarding the Shadow Tour please contact Culture Path directly.
- **No tagging along for parents not on shadow tour.** Any parents not officially on the tour cannot be on the bus or cannot join last minute. Insurance is main reason. Please do not ask if you can join or expect to get a table where we will be eating. If anything happens to someone not officially on the Tour, the insurance Culture Path has for us would become null and void. **Please respect this request.**

IMPORTANT STUFF

Parents

- **Please do not ask us if your student can leave tour** to spend time with your family and friends there to see the performances. **The answer is NO!** This is a school field trip and the **Chaperones, Teachers and Culture Path are responsible for your student.** It defies district guidelines and the insurances we have will again, become null and void.
- You will be given time for photos after performances & details on a group celebratory dinner after the final concert.
- Keep updated on details in the Spain newsletter and website.

IMPORTANT STUFF

Spain Chaperones

- Review Chaperone guidelines
- All MBUSD Staff and Chaperones to fill out Volunteer Waivers
- Confirm Fingerprinting
- Chaperone packets and supplies to be distributed at next meeting

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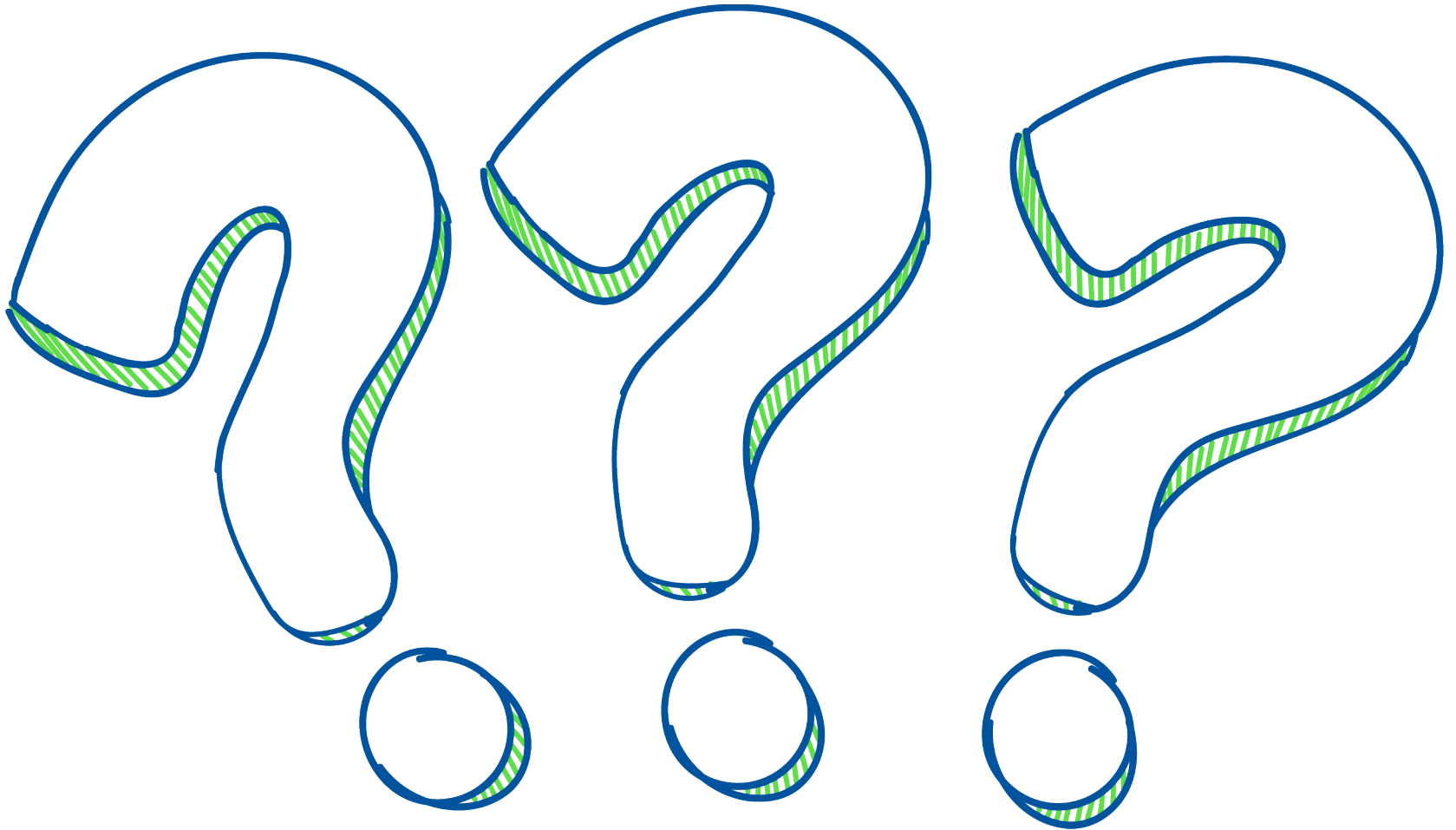
Chaperone groups

- Peter Park/Katie Cavallaro
- Denise Haslop/Mark Haslop
- Janet Anderson/Scott Anderson
- Marie Olivas/Danny Olivas
- Barbara Randolph/John Randolph
- Janet Dargan/John Dargan
- Denise Miley/Jonathan Westerberg
- Kimberly Power/Mark McCormick

- Chaperone Coordinator: Beth Nicosia



Q&A / Forms





Thank You!

Zaragoza, Spain